(c) what preventive steps are to be taken to desist them from putting false claim on the website?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Government does not directly regulate activities related to web based marketing.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Profit from ILD segment to BSNL

2450. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) does not taken tendering route for providing National Long Distance (NLD) services to its Access subscribers;

(b) the details of NLD voice revenues that come from MTNL and other operators, operator-wise; and

(c) the total revenues, net retention and net profit from ILD segment to BSNL during the last one year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Yes, Sir. BSNL being National Long Distance (NLD) Operator, carries the NLD traffic of its subscribers itself.

(b) MTNL is not a National Long Distance (NLD) Service Provider. NLD's revenue accrues to the Government in the form of annual Licence Fee. As per available information, the annual licence fee paid by 4 National Long Distances Service Licensees for the year 2004-2005 is as follows:—

Name of the Licensee	Licence Fee (Rupees in Crores)
M/s BSNL	285.0
M/s Bharti Infotel Ltd.	107.04
M/s VSNL	29.81
M/s Reliance Infocom Ltd.	62.28

(c) BSNL has reported that although BSNL has started ILD operations, separate accounting of ILD segment is not maintained at present.

TRAI'S attempt to enforce functional order in telecom services

2451. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether TRAI has attempted to regulate inter-connections between different operators and ensure minimum standards of service and connectivity to subscribers;

(b) whether the Telecom Dispute Settlement and Appellate Authority has overturned TRAI's attempts to enforce a functional order in telecom services; and

(c) the reasons for Government remaining passive on such a vital issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Telecom Dispute Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT) has adjudicated the dispute within the framework of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Act, 1997 as amended in 2000 and held that adjudication of dispute is within jurisdiction of the TDSAT and the powers of TRAI in relation to fixation of terms and conditions of interconnection as well as direct connectivity are subject to conditions of the licence and the existing agreements between the operators.

(c) All the operators are expected to provide interconnection facilities to one another within the framework of interconnected agreement between the operators. Further all the stakeholders including TRAI has to work within the framework of TRAI Act, 1997 as amended in 2000.

New schemes for postal services

2452. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are taking any special efforts to ensure better services to its customers in postal services;